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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 4942

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TAGS: PFOR, CH, JA

SUBJ: JAPAN-PRC FRIENDSHIP TREATY

REF: A. TOKYO 2959; B. TOKYO 3705

SUMMARY: AS PART OF GOJ PLANS TO STRIVE FOR BREAKTHROUGH  
ON PEACE/FRIENDSHIP TREATY (0\*5) WITH PEKING ON  
"THIRD PARTY HEGEMONY ISSUE", FONOFF INFORMED PRESS APRIL 14  
THAT DRAFTS HAVE BEEN EXCHANGED. DEPENDING ON SOUNDINGS  
TO BE CONDUCTED THIS WEEK IN PEKING BY FONOFF OFFICIAL TAKASHIMA,  
FONMIN MIYAZAWA INDICATED THAT POLITICAL TALKS MAY BE  
UNDERTAKEN, POSSIBLY BY THE FONMIN HIMSELF IN PELING.  
END SUMMARY.

1. RETURNING FROM US, FONMIN MIYAZAWA TOLD PRESS APRIL 13  
THAT IF "THIRD PARTY HEGEMONY ISSUE" WERE SOLE MAJOR POINT  
OF DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN PELING AND TOKYO ON DRAFT OF PFT,  
POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO RESOLVE THE  
ISSUE. THUS, DEPENDING ON ASIAN BUREAU DIRGEN TAKASHIMA'S  
SOUNDINGS DURING HIS CURRENT VISIT TO PEKING FOR TWO-WAY  
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TRADE DISCUSSIONS, FONMIN IMPLIED--AS PM MIKI SAID LAST WEEK--

THAT HE (MIYAZAWA) MIGHT GO TO PEKING TO TRY TO RESOLVE HEGEMONY ISSUE. TO CATCH PUBLIC UP ON BEHIND-SCENE DEVELOPMENTS, FONOFF SURFACED FACT THAT PFT DRAFTS HAD BEEN EXCHANGED, LEADING PRESS TO CONCLUDE, ERRONEOUSLY, THAT VICE FONMIN TOGO AND AMB CHEN CHU MADE EXCHANGE APRIL 14. AS REPORTED REF A, DRAFTS WERE ACTUALLY EXCHANGED EARLIER. FONOFF CHINA DIV (OGURA) CONFIRMED THAT "THIRD PARTY HEGEMONY" IS ONLY MAJOR DISAGREEMENT IN FINALIZING DRAFT AND THAT AFTER TAKASHIMA'S VISIT TO PEKING, CONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN TO WHETHER MIYAZAWA SHOULD VISIT CHINA FOR FULL-SCALE NEGOTIATIONS, INCLUDING "HEGEMONY" PROBLEM.

2. COMMENT. PROGRESS HAS BEEN HUNG UP ON "HEGEMONY" ISSUE BUT ALSO DELAYED, WE THINK, BY PREOCCUPATION WITH INDOCHINESE DEVELOPMENTS AND MIYAZAWA'S TRIP TO US. MIYAZAWA AND PERHAPS EVEN MORE, PM MIKI ARE DETERMINED TO PRESENT PFT TO THIS DIET SESSION. THEY HAVE BEEN PERTURBED BY FAILURE TO ACHIEVE BREAKTHROUGH AND ALSO BY STERN REACTION FROM PEKING TO DECISION, NOW REVERSED, TO SEND FORMER PM'S SATO AND KISHI TO TAIWAN TO PRESIDENT CHIANG'S FUNERAL AS REPRESENTATIVES OF LDP. SATO AND KISHI ARE ATTENDING AS "INDIVIDUALS". AS RESULT, GOJ FEARED CHINESE HAD DOUBTS ABOUT JAPAN'S COMMITMENT TO PRINCIPLES OF '72 JOINT COMMUNIQUE. MIKI, ABOVE ALL, WANTS TO DISPELL SUCH SKEPTICISM. WITH REMAINING TIME OF CURRENT DIET SESSION DWINDLING, PRESS REMARKS AND ACTIONS BY PM MIKI AND MIYAZAWA INDICATE THAT THEY PLAN EARLY, VIGOROUS EFFORT TO REACH BREAKTHROUGH.

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